

ELDERLY SERVICE OFFICER (ESO) OF THE YEAR AWARD

The **ELDERLY SERVICE OFFICER (ESO)** OF THE YEAR AWARD is designed to recognize the dedication of Elderly Service Officers throughout Illinois serving and protecting older residents.

Attorney General Lisa Madigan hopes that by highlighting the outstanding work of Elderly Service Officers throughout the state, more departments will see the value of, and need for, officers dedicated to working on behalf of seniors. Law enforcement officers, Area Agency on Aging employees, adult protective service workers, long-term care Ombudsmen, TRIAD members and others committed to working with seniors are invited to nominate for recognition an ESO that goes above and beyond in performing his or her duties.

As part of the nomination procedure, we ask that you submit a short essay explaining why you feel a particular officer has made an exceptional contribution in his or her role as an ESO. In your essay, be sure to describe instances in which the officer rendered an outstanding service, developed a new crime prevention program, used creativity to better protect a senior and/or investigated a difficult case of crime against a senior. The following are some questions for guidance.

- How does the officer demonstrate dedication to protecting seniors in the community?
- What initiative has the officer taken to develop and participate in educational programs for seniors?
- What multidisciplinary teams does the officer participate in to benefit the older community?
- What agencies or resources has the officer partnered with to provide better services to seniors?
- How has the officer shown persistence and sensitivity in investigating crimes against seniors?
- How has the officer advocated for seniors within the larger community?

Please fill out the attached form and submit it along with the nominating essay. The deadline for submissions is **July 25, 2014**. Thank you for supporting your Elderly Service Officer.

The ESO of the Year award ceremony will be held on September 9, 2014, during the Illinois State TRIAD Conference at 455 Riverstone Parkway, Kankakee, Illinois.



2014 ESO NOMINATION FORM DEADLINE: JULY 25, 2014

Nomination Procedure

Step 1: Nominators should:

- Complete this nomination form
- Attach a nomination essay on a separate sheet

Step 2: Forward the completed nomination by email to: eyork@atg.state.il.us or by mail to:

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If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ella York at (618) 529-6489.

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY OR TYPE Nominee's Name (as to appear on certificate): Employing Law Enforcement Agency: Agency Address: Telephone No. (nominee's, chief's or sheriff's): How long has the officer been an ESO? Has the officer been nominated for ESO of the year previously? If so, what year(s)? Nominator's Name & Title: Agency: Address: Telephone No.:

Email Address: